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Bush Relents on Intel Probe

Will call for Iraq inquest; twin suicide blasts kill at least 56

WASHINGTON | President Bush, under mounting political pressure, will sign an executive order to establish a full-blown investigation of U.S. intelligence failures in Iraq, a senior White House official said Sunday.

The investigation will look at what the United States believed it knew before the war against Saddam Hussein's regime and what has been determined since the invasion.

Former chief weapons inspector David Kay has concluded that Iraq did not possess weapons of mass destruction, a chief

rationale for the U.S.-led war.

Lawmakers from both parties say America's credibility has been undermined by uncertainty over flawed intelligence that led the United States into war in Iraq.

Republicans joined Democrats in calling for an investigation.

The announcement came on a day when two nearly simultaneous suicide bombings at the offices of Iraq's two main Kurdish par-



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ties killed at least 56 people and wounded more than 235.

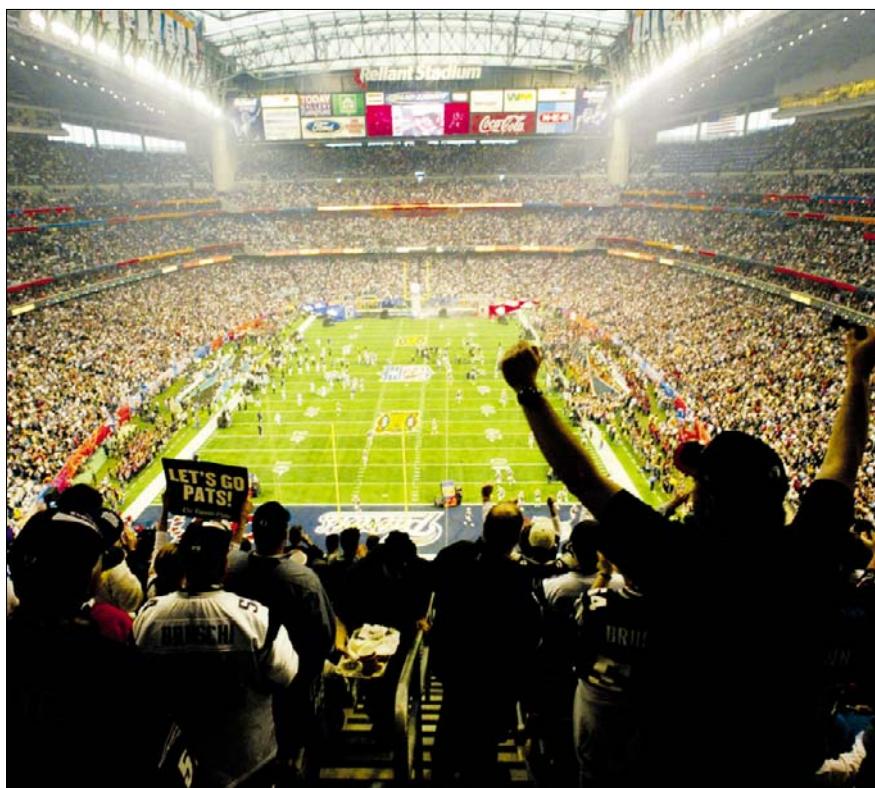
At this point, the White House has not decided on a deadline for the investigation — a sensitive issue since its findings could become a contentious

issue in the presidential campaign, which will be decided with the election in November.

DEB RIECHMANN (AP)

♦ **Deadly day:** Coordinated suicide bombings in northern Iraq take heavy toll on pro-U.S. Kurds | Page 6

SUPER BOWL | SUNDAY'S BEST



RICHARDSCARON/REUTERS

FULL HOUSE: About 70,000 fans packed Houston's Reliant Stadium for Sunday's Super Bowl XXXVIII between the New England Patriots and Carolina Panthers, which, unfortunately, ended after Express's deadline. ♦ **Replay:** For full coverage, see today's Post or washingtonpost.com.

Dulles Flight to Houston Halted Over Security

WASHINGTON | Continental Airlines canceled a Sunday evening domestic flight — from Dulles International Airport to Houston — after security concerns were raised by the Homeland Security Department.

The cancellation came on the heels of announcements Saturday that six international flights scheduled for Sunday and Monday were called off because of security concerns.

The decision came as the Super Bowl was being played Sunday evening at Reliant Stadium, about 27 miles from the airport. However, a U.S. government official said the flight cancellation was not specifically connected to the Super Bowl.

Department spokesman Brian Roehrkasse said Flight 1519 was canceled "due to security concerns and threat reporting about that particular flight."

He added that the federal agency and Continental "worked closely on the matter," but did not give any further details of the threat. (AP)

RESCUES | Inner Strength A Clearwater, Fla., high school freshman who walked out of a weightlifting session after being called a weakling on Wednesday became a hero minutes later when he saved an elderly man who had driven into a pond. Justin Gregorich, 14, was one of three people

who jumped into the water Wednesday to pull Raymond J. Kane from his sinking car. Gregorich wanted to join his school's junior-varsity football team, but at 5-foot-3 inches tall and 130 pounds, he couldn't lift as much weight as the other boys, who teased him. (AP) **EyeOpeners** | Page 2

EyeOpeners

ARCHITECTURE

The Flow Code

A legislator wants California's building codes to accommodate the ancient Chinese tradition of feng shui, which says buildings should be located and designed in ways that create harmonious energy flow. Assemblyman Leland Yee's resolution isn't meant to become law or force cities to change how buildings are constructed. Instead, Yee said, it would encourage builders to be more sensitive to a cultural practice that can improve work and living spaces. (AP)

LAW

Underwear Bandit

A civilian employee at the Nassau County jail in East Meadow, N.Y., could find himself behind bars after being charged with stealing more than \$13,000 worth of underwear intended for inmates. John Cofield Jr., 39, was arrested Thursday for third-degree grand larceny. Cofield, who was a laborer at the jail, is accused of stealing 2,284 packages of male and female underwear and socks over the last two years. (AP)



ANIMAL WATCH

Chilly Camel

A camel on the run stopped traffic on a southern Sweden road in the middle of a snowstorm, police said Sunday. But it took some convincing by drivers before skeptical police finally went to the scene. Before police arrived,

friends of the camel's owner came and led it back to a stable, where it has been kept while awaiting a home in a new barn. Owner Anneli Arvidsson said in a telephone interview that the 22-year-old camel might have wandered off because of the absence of his usual companion, a horse. (AP)

RELIGION

Three-Ring Service

It's not your normal church service, but clowns from across Europe gathered in London's Holy Trinity Church on Sunday to pay homage to one of their own. The annual service attracts clowns in full gear to remember famous British clown Joseph Grimaldi, recognized by some as the father of modern clowns. Grimaldi died in 1837, but the tradition of rounding up clowns began in 1948. According to clowning organization Clowns International, the service allows the funny folk to "give thanks for the gift of laughter." (EXPRESS)

WEDDING BELLS

Love Is a Battlefield

There's usually a ring in a wedding ceremony, but a wedding ceremony in a ring? The top match-up on the Saturday night card at a boxing ring in St. Petersburg, Russia, was the wedding of two boxers who exchanged vows — and then blows — in what they called the greatest experience of their lives. The couple met five years ago, when groom Nikolai Kibkalo, 40, began coaching bride Natalya

Karpovich, 31, who went on to become one of Russia's most successful female boxers. On Saturday night, the pair of pugilists wore traditional wedding garments, but donned boxing gloves after the ceremony and duked it out for a while. (AP)



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In Brief

PORT HURON, MICH.

Chemical Leak Into Ontario River Forces Plant Closures

Up to 39,000 gallons of toxic chemicals leaked Sunday into the St. Clair River across the border near Sarnia, Ontario, forcing the closure of water plants serving tens of thousands of people. The leak was reported Sunday morning at an Imperial Oil plant south of Sarnia in an area known as Chemical Valley. It was later contained. (AP)

MCALISTER, OKLA.

Clark Motorcade Receives \$150 Tickets for Speeding

Retired Gen. Wesley Clark's three-car caravan was pulled over by a state trooper as it was headed to Oklahoma City shortly after midnight Sunday. The trooper said he clocked the lead car at 88 miles per hour in a 75-mile-an-hour zone. Lead car driver Reid Cherlin and the drivers of the two other cars in the caravan were given \$150 speeding tickets. (AP)



Clark

PUNXSUTAWNEY, PA.

Thousands Gather for Groundhog Day Prediction

A day before the world's most famous furry forecaster makes his 118th annual weather prediction on Groundhog Day, people from as far away as England descended on this small town Sunday. Music and dancing go on all night and the town's population of roughly 6,700 grew to a record 40,000 last Feb. 2. (AP)

Sen. John Kerry pressed his front-runner's advantage in

Memorials Honor Columbia Crew

Astronauts remembered on anniversary of tragedy

CAPE CANAVERAL, FLA. | NASA workers who launched Columbia into orbit, volunteers who rummaged the fields for the shuttle's remains and everyday supporters of the space program united Sunday on the first anniversary of the catastrophe — to mourn and to remember.

"One year ago, at this very hour, the unthinkable occurred," the director of Kennedy Space Center, Jim Kennedy, told the crowd of a few hundred who gathered on a gray, drizzly morning.

Kennedy quietly cited the names of the seven Columbia astronauts, carved into the black granite memorial behind him.

"They were our friends. They are our heroes. Their loss will not be in vain. We will come back bigger, better and stronger than ever before, and I can assure you that crew and their beloved families will never, ever be forgotten," he said.

Each of the mourners — shuttle workers, American Indian students whose science experiment went down with Columbia, tourists who believe in the space program — held a long-stemmed rose. After the brief outdoor ceremony, one by one, they walked up to the memorial and tucked the red, yellow, peach and ivory-colored roses in the white grating of the fence.

Many wiped away tears.

The ceremony began at 9 a.m., the moment communication ceased with Columbia over Texas. It ended at 9:16 a.m., the time the space-craft should have been landing at the runway, just several miles from the NASA memorial.

By then, on Feb. 1, 2003, Columbia had shattered into tens of thousands of pieces and fallen on East Texas and Louisiana, and all seven of its crew were dead.

MARCIA DUNN (AP)



Roy McLellan, 13, plays taps at the end of ceremonies on Sunday dedicating a Shuttle Columbia Memorial in San Augustine, Texas. The small town hosted the army of search teams that descended on East Texas after the shuttle disintegrated.

Democrats Court Undecided Voters

CHARLESTON, S.C. | Democratic presidential rivals worked across several time zones Sunday to sway undecided voters in states with contests early this week. Howard Dean conceded making an "enormous gamble" by spending so much in Iowa and New Hampshire only to lose both states. "It didn't work," he said.

Sen. John Kerry pressed his front-runner's advantage in

North Dakota and Sen. John Edwards concentrated on South Carolina, a state he says he must win. Edwards trails Kerry in six of the seven states holding primaries or caucuses on Tuesday, except in his native South Carolina.

Retired Gen. Wesley Clark borrowed a page from Kerry's playbook, reuniting with a soldier credited with saving his life in Vietnam, while

Sen. Joe Lieberman welcomed a new round of newspaper endorsements.

Arizona, Delaware, Missouri, Oklahoma and South Carolina hold primaries Tuesday, along with caucuses in New Mexico and North Dakota. At stake are a total of 269 pledged delegates to the Democratic convention, more than 12 percent of the 2,162 needed to win the party's nomination. TOM RAUM (AP)

POLL POSITION

Sen. John Kerry, D-Mass., remains in the lead in six of the seven states with votes Tuesday:

→ **Sen. John Edwards** of North Carolina is leading in South Carolina with 30 percent, followed by Kerry with 23, according to an American Research Group poll.

→ **Some 27 percent** of New Mexico voters surveyed in an Albuquerque Journal poll last week said they were undecided.

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Nation

Bush Pitches New Budget

Proposal focusing on security, tax cuts would deepen deficit

WASHINGTON | President Bush is sending Congress a \$2.4 trillion budget that emphasizes the major themes of his re-election campaign — bolstering the military to fight terrorism, strengthening homeland security and making his sweeping tax cuts permanent.

But the spending plan released Monday, covering the budget year beginning Oct. 1, is constrained by deficits projected to top a half-trillion dollars this year.

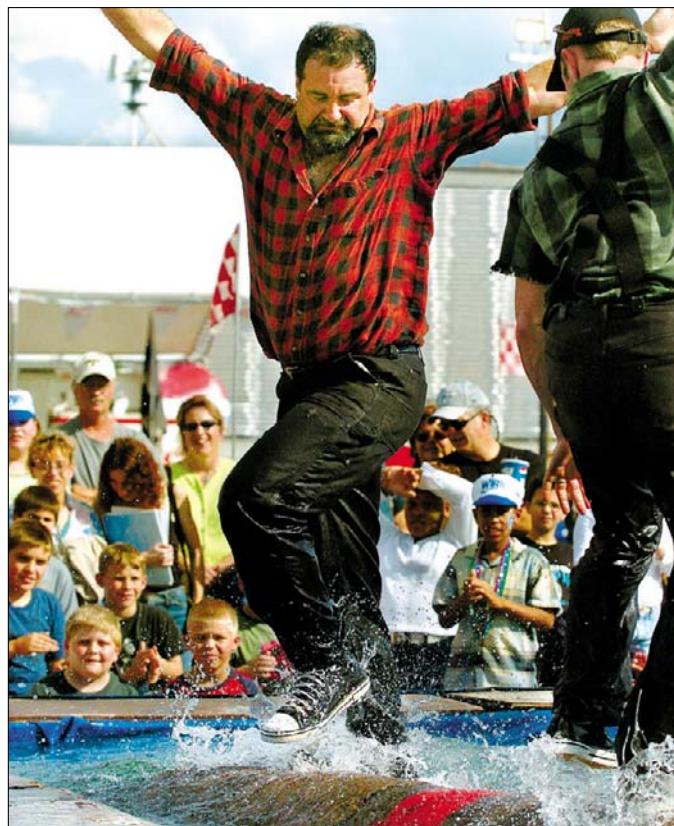
Bush's blueprint calls for spending \$2.399 trillion and collecting \$2.036 trillion in revenue, leaving a deficit of \$363 billion for 2005, according to Republican officials who spoke on condition of anonymity.

The president wants to boost defense spending by 7 percent,

increase spending on homeland security by 10 percent and bolster counterterrorism activities with an 11 percent increase for the FBI.

"We will devote the resources necessary to win the war on terror and protect our homeland," Bush said in his weekend radio address. For the current budget year, Bush projects the deficit will reach \$521 billion, a record in dollar terms. It is a figure he proposes to cut to \$237 billion in 2009. MARTIN CRUTSINGER (AP)

AT THE FAIR | LOGJAM



SCOTT FISHER/SOUTH FLORIDA SUN-SENTINEL/AP

ROLL YOUR OWN: Dan McDonough, left, a nine-time log-rolling champion, battles Dustin Beckworth on Sunday during the Scheer's Lumberjack Show in suburban West Palm Beach, Fla. The 30-minute show included an ax throw, chainsaw competitions and a woodcarving demonstration.

Standoff at Prison Ends, Guard Freed

BUCKEYE, ARIZ. | A female corrections officer was released Sunday from the prison guard tower where she had been held hostage by a pair of inmates for two weeks, a Corrections Department spokeswoman said.

The two inmates surrendered, said corrections spokeswoman Cam Hunter.

Hunter said the guard, whose name was not released, was receiving medical attention.

The standoff at the 4,400-inmate prison in Buckeye, west of Phoenix, began Jan. 18 when an inmate attacked two guards and another worker in a kitchen area. That prisoner and another inmate then got into the observation tower where they took the two guards hostage.

One of the correctional officers — a man — was released Jan. 24.

PAUL DAVENPORT (AP)

Abducted Woman Found in Storage Unit

WHEELING, ILL. | A woman was found wrapped in duct tape and inside a plastic garbage can in her ex-husband's storage unit Sunday, a day after she called 911 from the back of his truck saying he had abducted her.

Teri Jendusa-Nickolai, 38, was hurt, Wheeling Deputy Police Chief John Stone, but he did not release

the extent of her injuries. She was taken to a local hospital, village spokesman James Lang said.

Jendusa-Nickolai was found in storage facility near the airport where her ex-husband, David M. Larsen, works. An employee of the facility found her after walking past Larsen's unit and hearing a muffled sound, Stone said.

She was wrapped in duct tape and had been placed inside "a big plastic garbage can," Stone said.

Larsen, 39, was arrested Saturday when he reported for work as an air traffic controller at Milwaukee Municipal Airport. The couple's children were found safe with a baby sitter in another Chicago suburb after being dropped off by Larsen. (AP)



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World

56 Killed In Strike On Kurds

Suicide bombings in Iraq are the deadliest assaults in 6 months

IRBIL, IRAQ | Two suicide bombers with explosives wired to their bodies struck the offices of the country's two main Kurdish parties in nearly simultaneous attacks, killing at least 56 people and wounding more than 235 in the deadliest assault in Iraq in six months.

The attackers slipped into the offices of the Kurdistan Democratic Party and the Patriotic Union of Kurdistan along with hundreds of well-wishers gathering for the Muslim holiday of Eid al-Adha, or the Feast of Sacrifice.

Among the dead were the Irbil region's governor and the KDP Deputy Prime Minister Sami Abdul Rahman, according to Kurdish officials. The PUK's military commander also was killed, a U.S. military spokesman said. Guards said they did not search people because of the tradition of receiving guests during the holiday.

The attack Sunday marked the first time suicide bombers in Iraq have worn explosives rather than using vehicles. U.S. officials said Ansar al-Islam, an al Qaeda-linked Islamic militant group, may have carried out the attacks. (AP)



AMASSED: The crowd got out of control Sunday as pilgrims threw stones at a pillar, symbolizing their contempt for the devil. (AP)

244 Muslim Pilgrims Die in Stampede

Tragedy hits Saudi Arabia during annual hajj

MINA, SAUDI ARABIA | At least 244 people were trampled to death and hundreds more hurt Sunday under the crush of worshippers in one of the deadliest disasters during the annual Muslim pilgrimage to Saudi Arabia.

The crowd got out of control as people moved along a wide ramp leading to the "stoning of the devil" ritual — where pilgrims throw stones at three stone pillars, symbolizing their contempt for the devil. The authorities said that with pressure from behind, a few pilgrims fell down and set off a stampede. It was the worst tragedy in seven years at the

annual Muslim pilgrimage.

"All precautions were taken to prevent such an incident, but this is God's will," said Saudi Hajj Minister Iyad Madani. "Caution isn't stronger than fate."

Brig. Mansour al-Turki of the Saudi General Security Forces said about 10,000 security officers were on duty at the time in that area. The officers intervened and succeeded in "containing the pushing," an unidentified Saudi official told the Saudi Press Agency.

About 2 million Muslims are participating in this year's pilgrimage. (AP)

A LEGACY OF TRAGEDY

Between 1998-2003, at least 229 people died during the "stoning of the devil ritual" in Mina. Other disasters during hajj:

→ April 15, 1997: Fires tear through a tent city at Mina, trapping and killing more than 340 pilgrims and injuring 1,500.

→ May 23, 1994: 270 pilgrims

killed in a stampede in Mecca as

worshippers surge toward a cav-

ern for symbolic "stoning of the

devil" ritual.

→ July 2, 1990: In the worst hajj

tragedy of modern times, 1,426

people die in Mecca stampede in

tunnel leading to holy sites. (AP)

and four other members of the force died, Atsayev said.

Violence continues in Chechnya despite statements by the Kremlin and Kadyrov's government that the situation has stabilized. Fighting between Russian forces and rebels has persisted for almost a decade. The Kremlin installed Kadyrov as the chief administrator after taking control of much of the region, and he was elected president in a widely criticized October vote.

Many Chechens fear Kadyrov's powerful security force as much or more than the rebels, and its members have been widely accused of human rights abuses. (AP)

TAIWAN | HAND-TO-HAND COMBAT



STRAIT TALK: More than 60,000 people across Taiwan linked hands Sunday to create a human chain in a show of unity against rival China. Civil war split Taiwan and China in 1949, and Beijing has been pressuring the island on the other side of the Taiwan Strait to stop resisting its rule and unify.

Chechnya Leader's Security Force Attacked; 5 Dead

ROSTOV-ON-DON, RUSSIA | Assailants wielding guns and hand grenades killed five members of the Moscow-backed Chechen president's security force on Sunday, authorities said.

As many as 10 attackers burst into the home of the local commander of Akhmad Kadyrov's security force in the Chechen village of Alleroi, said Ruslan Atsayev, chief spokesman for the Interior Ministry. The local commander

In Brief

IRAN

124 Lawmakers Resign From Parliament to Protest Ruling

More than 40 percent of parliament, or 124 lawmakers, resigned in a dramatic gesture intended to force the clerical hierarchy to reinstate thousands of liberal candidates disqualified from the coming elections. Reformists say the Guardian Council disqualified liberal candidates in order to fix the election in favor of conservatives. (AP)

HAITI

Opposition Parties March on Capital, Seek New President

Thousands of government opponents, organized by a coalition of opposition parties, marched peacefully to Port-au-Prince Sunday to demand President Jean-Bertrand Aristide's resignation, a day after the embattled leader rescinded a police order outlawing marches and vowed to implement measures aimed at ending the country's unrest. The country has been in turmoil since Aristide's party swept 2000 legislative elections that observers said were flawed. (AP)

MIDDLE EAST

Official Says Spiritual Leader Of Hamas Could Be Targeted

Shaul Mofaz, Israel's defense minister, said in a Sunday Cabinet meeting that the leaders of violent Islamic groups are targets for assassination. Mofaz issued the threat in response to a declaration by the spiritual leader of Hamas, Sheik Ahmed Yassin, that Hamas is making an all-out effort to kidnap Israeli soldiers. "The statements of Yassin just emphasize the need to strike the heads of Hamas and the Islamic Jihad," Mofaz said, according to an official at the meeting. (AP)

NORWAY

Norwegian Nominates Bush, Blair for Nobel Peace Prize

Norwegian lawmaker Jan Simonsen of the right-wing Party of Progress has nominated President George Bush and British Prime Minister Tony Blair for the 2004 Nobel Peace Prize. Even though the five-member Norwegian awards committee keeps the names of candidates secret for 50 years, those making the nominations often announce their candidate. (AP)

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World

Japan May Retool Law of Succession

Panel will recommend that women be allowed to assume the throne

TOKYO | A government panel plans to recommend that Japan amend a law to let women inherit the Chrysanthemum Throne, a newspaper reported Sunday, as the imperial family faces its most serious succession crisis in centuries.

The birth in December 2001 of Princess Aiko, the only child of Crown Prince Naruhito, has generated intense debate over whether the Imperial Household Law should be changed to allow her to reign.

A lower house panel is leaning

toward revising the law and plans to solicit opinions from experts before submitting its final recommendations next January, the Mainichi newspaper said.

The Imperial Household Law, which was drawn up in 1889 and survived an overhaul of the country's constitution after World War II, dictates that only men can inherit the throne. However, no boy has been born to the imperial family since the 1960s.

Japan last had a reigning empress almost 200 years ago. A total of eight women have occupied the Chrysanthemum Throne throughout its 1,500 years of documented history. (AP)

INDIA | NEW GENERATION



GAUTAM SINGH/AP

SKYWARD: A teacher, in front of a photo of the space shuttle Columbia, explains space travel to his students at a museum in Bangalore on Sunday. Hundreds of people in India on Sunday mourned Kalpana Chawla, the Indian-born astronaut killed when Columbia crashed a year ago.

WHO: Man May Have Spread Bird Flu

BANGKOK, THAILAND | Two Vietnamese sisters who died from bird flu may have caught the disease from their brother, which would be the first known case involving human-to-human transmission in the outbreak now sweeping Asia, the World Health Organization said Sunday.

Investigators have failed to find a specific event, such as contact with sick poultry, or an environmental source to explain the sisters' cases, WHO spokesman Bob Dietz said in

Hanoi. "Limited human-to-human transmission from the brother ... is one possible explanation," he said.

Experts fear the virus could mutate into a form of flu that passes easily between people — a pandemic strain that is a hybrid of the bird virus and a normal human influenza variety.

Bird flu has killed millions of chickens in 10 Asian countries and jumped to humans in Thailand and Vietnam, killing 10 people. (AP)

Local

Airport Gun Ban Under Fire

Opponents say rule infringes on Virginia's concealed weapons law

ALEXANDRIA, VA. | A Virginia gun advocacy group is battling the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority over a regulation banning guns on its property — including sections of the heavily traveled Dulles Access Road, routes 28 and 606, and the Reagan National

Airport Metrorail station.

The Virginia Citizens Defense League claims the Airports Authority is overstepping state and federal laws and concealing the "obscure and unknown" ban, essentially "trapping" law-abiding gun owners traveling across authority property.

The authority, which operates Dulles International and Reagan National airports, says it is not bound by "the more general" state laws and that the ban is necessary

for security.

A Virginia law, which went into effect in July, and a subsequent Attorney General's opinion gives gun owners with a concealed weapons permit — or otherwise transporting a gun legally — the universal right to possess the weapon except in a few specific places. They include courthouses, places of worship and schools. The law was meant to wipe out a growing patchwork of local gun regulations. (AP)

SINCE YOU ASKED

Q I understand that when it snows more than eight inches, Metrorail will operate only between underground stations. I am a hospital employee and am expected to report to work. Does Metro have plans for providing bus service from outdoor stations to the underground ones?

A Don't plan on it. It's "extremely doubtful" that kind of service would be available, said Jack Requa, Metro's top bus official. Buses will provide as much service as possible along main routes, but "if the weather conditions are such that the trains

need to go underground, you can imagine what the conditions on the streets are," Requa said.

Metro officials expect to give riders at least two hours notice that the rail will be moving into underground-only service. So whether coming to work or leaving, it's up to commuters then to decide whether to take that last-chance ride or work out other plans.

Requa said Metro is still talking with local jurisdictions about possible options for bus service to rail stations during wintry weather. DANNY FREEDMAN (EXPRESS)

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Hospital Awaiting Promised Funds

CHEVERLY, MD. | Officials at Prince George's Hospital Center say they're still waiting for the \$10 million in emergency aid County Executive Jack Johnson pledged more than three months ago.

"We need it," said Calvin Brown, chairman of the board of Dimensions Health Care System, which operates the hospital. "We have some immediate financial concerns now."

Johnson announced a plan Oct. 23 to pump \$30 million into the hospital, which said it was on the edge of bankruptcy. The plan called for an initial \$10 million, and \$20 million over the next four years.

The council approved the plan Oct. 28 for the hospital.



Pr. George's County Executive Jack Johnson promised the hospital \$10M.

A Johnson spokesman, Jim Keary, said the pledge wasn't designed to address immediate cash-flow issues — it was meant to reassure auditors that the hospital would be able to fund future pension obligations. (AP)



HALF DAY: Public schools in Prince George's County will close early Feb. 9 to transport teachers and other school employees to an Annapolis rally to support full funding for the state's \$1.3 billion education plan. (AP)

Firefighter Injured Battling Electrical Blaze at NIH

BETHESDA, MD. | One firefighter was hurt Sunday battling a smoky electrical fire at the National Institutes of Health in Bethesda, Md. The firefighter was expected to be released from the hospital Sunday night.

Units from Montgomery County were called around 2:30 p.m. to assist the NIH fire department and firefighters from the National Naval Medical Center, who were battling a fire in Building 30, according to fire department spokesman Pete Piringer.

He said the fire began in a basement or sub-level utility room, and involved a transformer. The fire sent electrical smoke throughout the building. Crews had to use dry chemical fire extinguishers to control the flames. (AP)

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Sports

Super Bowl's Selling Point

Non-football fans tune in just for the TV ads

NEW YORK | Even before the football teams came close to scoring, some of the high-priced commercials were racking up points Sunday night. But some of the hits were a little cheap.

There was plenty of aiming for a certain area of male anatomy, and not just by the makers of drugs for erectile dysfunction.

In a telecast that featured commercials for at least two of the three drugs for sexual potency, Bud Light scored early with two amusing ads.

CBS charged \$2.3 million this year for each 30-second spot, up

from \$2.2 million last year. The commercials command such steep prices because the broadcast commands a singularly unique audience: more than 100 million viewers who don't channel surf for four-plus hours.

In numerous surveys each January, more than a quarter of Americans say they tune in solely for the commercials.

Apple Computer and PepsiCo used the game to kick off their iTunes music store promotion —

and to tweak the recording industry's legal assault on Internet song-swapping. The companies are awarding 100 million song downloads from the Apple retail site through bottle tops.

In one of the program's quirkiest ads, an elderly couple battles over new crispier chips from Frito Lay. Tripping her, the older gentleman then shuffles past and stabs his cane in her back. But reaching the chip, he finds himself thwarted as he turns to see her holding his artificial teeth. JUSTIN BACHMAN (AP)

The game: The Super Bowl ended after Express's deadline. For full coverage, see today's Washington Post and then talk to sports columnists Tony Kornheiser and Michael Wilbon about the game at 1:30 p.m. at washingtonpost.com/liveline



CAN'T HAVE JUST ONE: A Frito Lay commercial aired during the Super Bowl featured this grandmother capturing her husband's dentures after he beat her to a bag of chips.

TODAY'S TV LINEUP

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL (7 p.m. on ESPN) Connecticut (17-3, 5-1) hosts defending national champion Syracuse (14-3, 4-2).

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL (8 p.m. on ESPN2) Villanova is the 19th team trying to hand St. Joseph's (18-0) its first loss of the season.

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL (9 p.m. on ESPN) Kansas takes on Missouri.

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL (Midnight on ESPN) Air Force (15-2, 5-0) travels to UNLV (11-6, 2-3).

WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL (7 p.m. on Comcast) No. 2 Duke visits Clemson in an ACC contest.

Terps Drop Home Game to Wolf Pack

COLLEGE BASKETBALL | Julius Hodge scored 28 points, and North Carolina State pulled away in the second half to earn its first win at Maryland since 1989, 81-69 Sunday.

Freshman Engin Atsur had a career-high 16 points and Marcus

Melvin scored 15 for the Wolfpack (12-5, 5-2 Atlantic Coast Conference). Scooter Sherrill scored all 10 of his points in the second half.

The Wolfpack was 0-14 in College Park since Jan. 29, 1989, including 0-9 under coach Herb Sendek, who is 4-14 against the Terrapins and 198-

115 against everyone else.

Jamar Smith led Maryland (11-7, 2-5) with 21 points. The Terrapins went 2-for-14 from 3-point range and 9-for-18 at the foul line.

Nik Cander-Medley had 10 points for Maryland, which has lost four of five. It was only the Terrapins' third loss in two seasons at the Comcast Center. (AP)

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Sports

James Holds Court in D.C.

Wizards welcome back Stackhouse, but can't stop Cavaliers' rookie

PRO BASKETBALL | LeBron James scored a career-high 38 points, leading the Cleveland Cavaliers to a 104-100 victory over the Washington Wizards on Sunday.

The No. 1 overall draft pick went 14-of-27 from the field, 9-of-11 from the free-throw line and had six rebounds and four assists. He made four three-point plays, including three during his 19-point third quarter.

Cleveland notched its 18th victory, surpassing its win total from last season.

James gave the Cavaliers the lead for good with back-to-back three-point plays in the third. He forced home a jumper while being fouled



JOE GIZA/REUTERS

Rookie LeBron James dominated the Wizards at the MCI Center on Sunday.

by Larry Hughes, then converted a fast-break layup and free throw.

The Wizards never got closer

than double digits until the game's final minute, when a stream of turnovers — including a bad pass by James — helped Washington finish the game with a 20-9 run.

Cleveland, despite 24 turnovers, broke a four-game losing streak in Washington.

Washington's Jerry Stackhouse, activated from the injured list before the game, scored 13 points on 5-for-14 shooting — including a pair of air balls — in his first game this season. Stackhouse had knee surgery Oct. 21.

Rookie Jarvis Hayes led the Wizards with 20 points.

After a rusty start, Stackhouse scored his first points of the season with a three-point play late in the second quarter. He followed with a 3-pointer and a fast-break dunk to put the Wizards up 47-42 at the half. JOSEPH WHITE (AP)

NBA

EASTERN CONFERENCE

ATLANTIC	W	L	PCT.	GB	L10 CONF.
New Jersey	25	20	.556	—	5-5 16-10
New York	22	27	.449	5	7-3 16-14
Boston	22	27	.449	5	2-8 13-20
Miami	21	27	.438	5.5	6-4 14-13
Philadelphia	20	27	.426	6	3-7 16-15
Washington	14	31	.311	11	4-6 8-21
Orlando	13	36	.265	14	4-6 11-22

CENTRAL

CENTRAL	W	L	PCT.	GB	L10 CONF.
Indiana	35	13	.729	—	7-3 24-7
Detroit	32	16	.667	3	7-3 21-10
New Orleans	26	21	.553	8.5	4-6 18-13
Milwaukee	26	21	.553	8.5	6-4 20-12
Toronto	21	23	.477	12	3-7 13-14
Cleveland	17	29	.370	17	6-4 12-17
Atlanta	15	33	.313	20	5-5 10-20
Chicago	13	35	.271	22	1-9 12-16

WESTERN CONFERENCE

MIDWEST	W	L	PCT.	GB	L10 CONF.
Minnesota	32	13	.711	—	8-2 15-10
San Antonio	31	18	.633	3	5-5 13-11
Dallas	29	18	.617	4	8-2 18-12
Denver	28	21	.571	6	5-5 18-13
Houston	26	20	.565	6.5	6-4 11-14
Memphis	25	21	.543	7.5	7-3 14-14
Utah	24	23	.511	9	4-6 13-16

PACIFIC

PACIFIC	W	L	PCT.	GB	L10 CONF.
Sacramento	33	12	.733	—	7-3 20-10
L.A. Lakers	27	16	.628	5	5-5 15-14
Seattle	22	23	.489	11	3-7 15-11
Portland	21	24	.467	12	5-5 9-17
L.A. Clippers	20	25	.444	13	4-6 11-17
Golden State	20	25	.444	13	5-5 11-17
Phoenix	17	32	.347	18	4-6 10-17

Standings through Jan. 31 games.

♦ **Total recap:** For a complete wrap-up of Sunday's action in the NBA and NHL, as well as men's and women's college basketball | washingtonpost.com/sports

NHL

EASTERN CONFERENCE

SOUTHEAST	W	L	T	OL	PTS.	GF	GA
Tampa Bay	26	16	6	3	61	139	114
Atlanta	21	25	6	2	50	145	160
Florida	17	22	11	3	48	117	143
Carolina	17	24	10	2	46	102	132
Washington	16	30	5	2	39	126	167

ATLANTIC	W	L	T	OL	PTS.	GF	GA
Philadelphia	26	11	11	5	68	147	119
New Jersey	27	13	10	1	65	121	95
N.Y. Islanders	25	20	5	2	57	147	129
N.Y. Rangers	19	23	7	4	49	136	150
Pittsburgh	11	34	5	3	30	105	199

NORTHEAST	W	L	T	OL	PTS.	GF	GA
Toronto	29	13	8	3	69	146	123
Ottawa	28	14	7	3	66	175	113
Boston	24	14	11	4	63	127	121
Montreal	25	20	6	2	58	127	115
Buffalo	23	25	5	1	52	130	135

WESTERN CONFERENCE

CENTRAL	W	L	T	OL	PTS.	GF	GA
Detroit	29	15	8	2	68	174	128
Nashville	26	18	6	2	60	127	133
St. Louis	25	18	7	1	58	124	124
Columbus	15	27	7	3	40	109	149
Chicago	13	28	7	5	38	117	156

NORTHWEST	W	L	T	OL	PTS.	GF	GA
Colorado	29	11	9	3	70	162	119
Vancouver	30	14	7	2	69	157	118
Calgary	25	19	4	3	57	121	113
Minnesota	17	20	15	2	51	115	122
Edmonton	20	24	8	1	49	134	140

PACIFIC	W	L	T	OL	PTS.	GF	GA
San Jose	24	13	11	5	64	130	111
Dallas	26	20	9	0	61	117	122
Los Angeles	21	15	12	5	59	141	135
Phoenix	18	18	13	2	51	129	135
Anaheim	16	22	8	6	46	111	138

Standings through Jan. 31 games.
One point awarded to overtime losses.

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Suspension Piece Costs Stars Race

AUTO RACING | A broken suspension piece cost NASCAR stars Tony Stewart and Dale Earnhardt Jr. and road racing ace Andy Wallace a victory in the Rolex 24 sports cars endurance race.

Instead of the two Nextel Cup drivers and four-time 24-hours champion Wallace celebrating at Daytona International Speedway, it was Andy Pilgrim, Terry Borcheller, Christian Fittipaldi and Forest Barber spraying the champagne Sunday. Stewart was at the wheel when his left rear tire pulled off the rim and sent him spinning to a stop on the backstretch. Pilgrim drove into the lead with 15 minutes remaining, passing Stewart and the car that had led since Saturday night. (AP)



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Sports

In Brief

PRO BASKETBALL

O'Neal Uses Profanity While Criticizing Refs on Live TV

Shaquille O'Neal was so frustrated with the officiating during the Lakers' 84-83 victory in Toronto on Sunday that he twice used profanities on live television. He said the fans came to watch the players, not the officials, then used one profanity while complaining that officials were "taking over the game." When

informed he was on live television, O'Neal replied with a vulgarity. "My message to David Stern is get some people in there that understand the game and don't try to take over the game because people pay good money to see good athletes play," O'Neal said. O'Neal scored 36 points to lead the Lakers. (AP)

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Seton Hall Pops Providence Out of First Place in Big East

Andre Sweet was 7-of-9 from the field and scored 18 points to lead

Seton Hall to a 55-46 victory over No. 23 Providence on Sunday, snapping the Friars' six-game winning streak. Ryan Gomes had 28 points and 13 rebounds for Providence (14-4, 5-3), which fell out of a first-place tie in the Big East with No. 7 Pittsburgh. The win was the third straight — all in the conference — for Seton Hall (14-4, 4-2). The Pirates shot 54 percent in the second half and withstood Gomes's one-man assault. He scored 16 straight points for the Friars at one point in the second half. (AP)



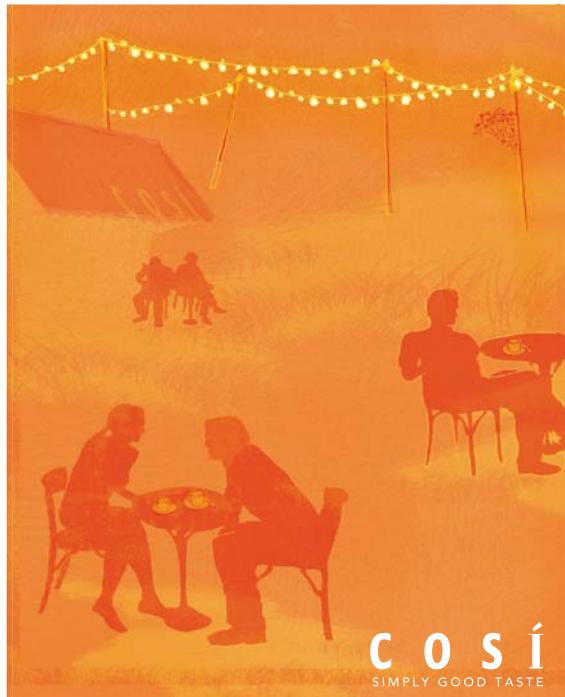
Despite Ryan Gomes's 28 points, Providence lost to Seton Hall Sunday. (AP)

HOCKEY

Murray's Hat Trick Leads Bruins Past Penguins, 4-1

Glenn Murray scored three goals in a game for the fifth time in his NHL career, and the Boston Bruins beat the Pittsburgh Penguins 4-1 Sunday. All of his goals came in the third period. Murray has scored six of the last seven goals for the Bruins, and has the game-winning goal in each of the last three games. The Bruins have won three straight games and are unbeaten in their last four. (AP)

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Entertainment



YOU MUST BE NEW: Shrek of "Shrek 2," accompanied by a familiar four-legged friend, greets newcomer Puss-in-Boots.

headmaster Dumbledore.

The sequel "Spider-Man 2," coming out over the July Fourth weekend, reunites director Sam Raimi with Marvel Comics' anxious teen superhero Peter Parker and girl-next-door Mary Jane. Now a college student, webmaster Peter battles Otto Octavius (Alfred Molina), who has been transformed into the tentacled "Doc Ock."

This year's non-sequel and non-remake highlights include a reunion for Adam Sandler and Drew Barrymore in the romance "50 First Dates"; "The Village," the latest fright flick from M. Night Shyamalan; and Gene Hackman as an ex-president running for mayor in "Welcome to Mooseport."

Tom Hanks and Steven Spielberg reteam for the drama "The Terminal," and Will Smith leads the sci-fi adventure "I, Robot." Tom Cruise plays a hitman in "Collateral," and Nicole Kidman stars in "The Interpreter," a tale of United Nations intrigue.

Epics rule the screens in 2004, with the release of the much-anticipated "Troy," with Brad Pitt as Achilles; Oliver Stone's "Alexander," with Colin Farrell as the conqueror; and Leonardo DiCaprio in the Howard Hughes biography "The Aviator," directed by Martin Scorsese.

And comic books go 3-D, almost, with "Constantine," starring Keanu Reeves as the lead character from the "Hellblazer" series; "Catwoman" with Halle Berry; "Hellboy" with Ron Perlman; and "The Punisher" with Thomas Jane.

DAVID GERMAIN (AP)

Today's Top Stops

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Bad Girls Next Door: SG Burlesque Tour

The Suicide Girls — cute, sulky, punk-rock girls with multiple piercings, a bad attitude and not much on — are coming to town, and we just don't know what to think. Is self-exploitation the same as exploitation? Is porn cutting-edge because it's produced by and stars those on the edge? Should any of this matter when you're out to have a couple beers and watch willing girls prance around in the "Suicide Girls Live: Burlesque Tour"? The show involves six chicks of the alternative variety who have posed nekkid on the SG Web site (plus the band Bloom and local musicians Full Minute of Mercury) strutting their stuff with charming amateurishness on the D.C. stop of the tour.

Black Cat, 1811 14th St. NW; 8:30 p.m., \$10 in advance, \$12 at the door; 202-667-7960. (U St.-Cardozo)



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The SG Live Burlesque Tour involves 3-D girls, but the pink hair is accurate.

Spy TV: The Truth vs. the Tube

Look, Wesley Britton; we don't want to know. You may be the author of the book "Spy Television," and your pal Peter Earnest may be a former CIA clandestine operative, and you two may want to give the talk "Spies on Screen: 50 Years of Spy TV," but if the so-called "real" world of espionage differs one whit from what Ian Fleming has been telling us, we don't want to hear about it. La la la our fingers are in our ears

International Spy Museum, 800 F St. NW; 6:30 p.m., \$15, \$12 Spy Ring members; 202-393-7789. (Gallery Place-Chinatown/Archives-Navy Memorial)

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Replay It Again

Hollywood's latest mantra: reduce, reuse, recycle

FILM PREVIEW | You'd think there isn't an original idea left in Hollywood with all the sequels, spinoffs and remakes crowding the 2004 movie lineup — about two dozen sequels and prequels and at least a dozen updates of old

movies or TV shows. Heavy hitters will arrive in a summer clump, while original scripts will be released throughout the year.

"Shrek 2," to be released in May, finds the animated ogre with the Scottish brogue accompanying his princess bride Fiona to meet her parents, with their pal Donkey along for the ride. Julie Andrews and John Cleese join the voice cast as Shrek's disapproving in-laws, and

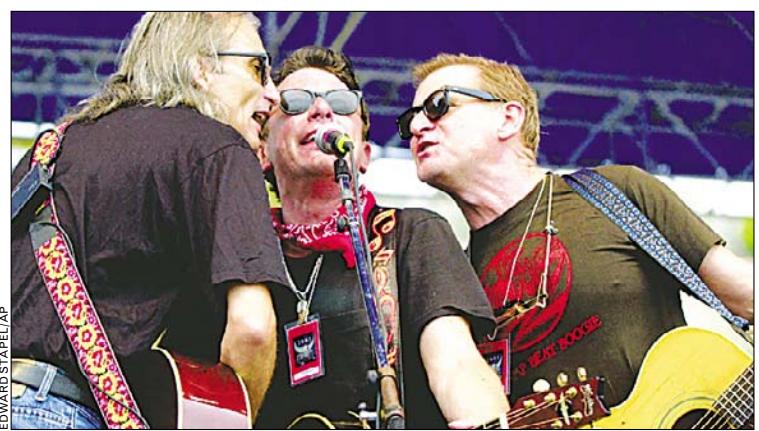
Antonio Banderas provides the voice of crafty cat Puss-in-Boots.

In June, it's "Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban" with the boy sorcerer and his chums Ron and Hermione in their third year at Hogwarts. This time, the gang faces an escaped convict (played by Gary Oldman) who's coming after Harry for mysterious reasons. Michael Gambon replaces the late Richard Harris as wise

New Country, Old Hands

A trio of elegantly aged talents fits like a favorite cowboy hat

MUSIC | What we have here is a Texas song swap. Joe Ely, Jimmie Dale Gilmore and Butch Hancock cover each other's tunes on "Wheels of Fortune" (New West), the second album since these not-quite-country legends reunited as the Flatlanders. There's nothing new in that exchange, of course, as the three have often sampled one another's material in their distinguished careers as solo artists. In fact, Gilmore has been known to teasingly insist that he does Hancock's songs better than Hancock.



POWERHOUSE OF COMBINED CHOPS: Gilmore, Ely and Hancock in perfect harmony.

er's material in their distinguished careers as solo artists. In fact, Gilmore has been known to teasingly insist that he does Hancock's songs better than Hancock.

And while "Wheels of Fortune" stakes out no new ground, it does something just as valuable. Gilmore's keening country warble, Hancock's clever wordplay and Ely's Tex-Mex bluesiness come together like boots, jeans and a denim shirt — comfortable, classic and sublime at the same time.

Anyone with a taste for country-rock, alt-country, Americana or whatever they're calling this loosely defined genre these days should love "Wheels of Fortune."

ERIC FIDLER (AP)

Entertainment

Today's Top Stops

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Remarkable Feats: Athletic Dance

3 Even modern dance isn't what it used to be. Case in point: Cie. Sylvie Guillermin, a Grenoble-based dance company that combines martial arts, climbing skills and circus acrobatics.

Kennedy Center, Millennium Stage, 2700 F St. NW; 6 p.m., free; 202-467-4600. (Foggy Bottom)

Heartfelt Friedman: Gay Men's Chorus Showcase

4 The Gay Men's Chorus of Washington showcases the work of a New York composer



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in the cabaret show "Let Me Be the Music: The Songs of David Friedman," featuring eight of the GMCW's voices and Friedman himself.

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The Soul of the Blues

DVD | If you care about the blues, you'll likely find the smart, evocative documentary "The Howlin' Wolf Story" about one of the field's most charismatic stars infinitely more valuable than all of Martin Scorsese's recent series of blues films on PBS.

In the kickoff volume of a promising Bluebird blues series titled "When the Sun Goes Down," director Don McGlynn gives us a winning portrait of a singer so commanding that you can understand why the Rolling Stones sat at his feet in awe as they watched him perform on a TV show in the '60s (a segment in the DVD).

Chester Arthur Burnett, one of



The older Howlin' Wolf, still howling, in a duet with his good friend the guitar.

six children born to a Mississippi farmer and his wife, had such a raw, primal vocal style that it's no wonder he billed himself as Howlin' Wolf. Even though he never became

a household name, he enjoys enough respect among rock tastemakers to have been voted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame.

There isn't a lot of footage of the Wolf available, but McGlynn expands the story with lots of still photos and interviews with friends and relatives. From these, it's clear that Wolf was blessed with a magnetism and humor that helped him stand out whether he was on stage or sitting behind the microphone at a radio station.

"When I heard him, I said, 'This is for me. This is where the soul of man never dies,'" legendary Memphis record producer Sam Phillips writes in the liner notes.

This is the first authorized film about Burnett, who died in 1976, and it is marvelous. ROBERT HILBURN (LOS ANGELES TIMES)

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Entertainment

He's a Real Cut-Up

PERSONALITY | For Cedric the Entertainer, it's been a great ride since "Barbershop" became a hit. The ensemble comedy about a barbershop in an African-American Chicago neighborhood connected with a diverse audience and scored \$75 million.

Playing outspoken barber Eddie, Cedric stole the show, making Hollywood take notice of the former stand-up comedian.

"Barbershop" opened up good things where people see [me] as a character actor that can really draw on and bring out characters, not just as a comedian," said the St. Louis native.

The first "Barbershop" had its detractors. The Rev. Al Sharpton and the Rev. Jesse Jackson blasted the film for making jokes at the expense of civil rights icons Rosa Parks and Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Cedric acknowledges the flap raised the film's viewership, but said he was willing to return for the sequel only if it didn't deliberately seek out controversy.

"I thought if we did run across certain subject matter where we could possibly step on people's toes, then so be it," he said. "But



BARBER, HEAL THYSELF: Cedric the Entertainer as Eddie, with his distinctive mane.

let's not go and pick fights."

Indeed, "Barbershop 2" pokes fun at Bobby Brown, Whitney Houston and rapper R. Kelly, and there's a slick Chicago alderman who bears a resemblance to Jackson.

In "Barbershop 2," the neighborhood is in danger of losing its identity as money-hungry corporate coffee bars and video stores move into the community. As the staff and patrons of Calvin's Barbershop debate the pros and cons of urban renewal, a

haircutting chain is poised to move in across the street.

Cedric understands; he grew up in a predominantly black neighborhood where he witnessed gentrification first-hand.

"The idea of gentrification was a great way to approach the sequel," he said. "It takes you off of the first one and makes the movie a little more mature. And at the same time, you get to have just as much fun." ANGELA DAWSON (ENTERTAINMENT NEWS WIRE)

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Wild in the Streets

VIDEO GAME | The creators of "Manhunt" have succeeded in making a game that's often gruesome, disgusting and shocking — it's also numbingly repetitive and murderously difficult.

The story, such as it is, begins with the staged execution of convicted killer James Earl Cash. He's been strapped to the gurney but unknowingly injected with sedatives instead of lethal drugs.

He awakens in the dank confines of the death chamber and discovers he's become the star of a series of snuff films. Cash is ordered around by smarmy Valiant Video Enterprises director Lionel Starkweather (superbly voiced by actor Brian Cox, the original Hannibal Lecter in the 1986 film "Manhunter").



The scruffy look of "Manhunt" mirrors the game's creepy snuff-movie plot.

As Cash, you'll stroll the trash-lined streets of Cancer City, a nondescript Midwestern rust-belt town, picking off various thugs and gang members in a variety of brutal ways.

Delivering the nastiest killings for Starkweather's videos is key — the manner in which you dole out death is rated on a five-star scale. Sneaking up behind a thug and stabbing him in the neck will earn you only a one- or two-star rating. Lethal instruments include plastic bags for suffocating, as well glass

shards and metal wire. Later, you'll obtain sickles, chain saws and an array of guns.

Forget about clashing with the deranged members of the "Skinz," "Innocentz" and "Smiley" clans head-on. With a few exceptions, out-and-out fighting attracts too many other enemies who'll quickly gang up and pummel you.

As it degenerates into a repetitious series of ghastly murders, "Manhunt's" carnage is revealed as a grisly gimmick to sell more product. MATT SLAGLE (AP)



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Television

Kattan's Froggy Evening

AMPHIBIANS | Chris Kattan is going from television's "Saturday Night Live" to Lincoln Center's "The Frogs."

Kattan, who was a regular on the NBC late-night comedy series for seven years, will join Nathan Lane in "The Frogs," the Stephen Sondheim musical opening July 15 at the Vivian Beaumont Theater.

The musical, freely adapted from Aristophanes's comedy by Burt Shevelove, has been further rewritten by Lane, who will star as the Greek god Dionysos.

The plot concerns a frog-infested journey by Dionysos, accompanied by his slave Xanthias (played by Kattan), to Hades.

The twosome are in search of a famous writer who will help them



Chris Kattan, far left, leaps from SNL lounge lizard to Lincoln Center "Frogs."

save the world from destruction.

The production will be directed and choreographed by Susan Stroman, who performed similar duties for "The Producers."

Preview performances begin June 17. (AP)

ON TV TONIGHT

REMEMBER THE TEJANOS

AMERICAN EXPERIENCE (9 p.m., PBS)

Hector Elizondo narrates "Remember the Alamo," a documentary that sets out to explode many historical and Hollywood myths about the famous siege and the war with Mexico. Both history books and popular movies have portrayed the battle for Texas independence as a struggle between Anglos and Mexicans. The film argues that Tejano leader Jose Antonio Navarro had as much to do with Texas independence as Jim Bowie and Davy Crockett.

CAMEO MAN

Professional neurotic Richard Lewis is quickly becoming the hardest-working guest star on television. In addition to his recurring role (as himself) on "Curb Your Enthusiasm" and as a rabbi on "7th Heaven," he now assumes the part of

Charlie's accountant on **TWO AND A HALF MEN** (9:30 p.m., CBS). Lewis joins Suzanne Pleshette (on both "8 Simple Rules" and "Good Morning, Miami") and Fred Willard (with roles on "A Minute with Stan Hooper" and "Everybody Loves Raymond") as one of primetime's most active moonlighters.

BY 'FACE' WE MEAN 'ABS'

TRUE HOLLYWOOD STORY (9 p.m., E!) His was the face that sold a million shorts, and before that, the leader of the hit-making Funky Bunch. We're talking, of course, about Mark Wahlberg, the subject of a new "THS." The Calvin Klein underwear model successfully reinvented himself as an actor, and surprised critics with strong performances in offbeat films like "Three Kings" and "Boogie Nights."

A GAY OLD TIME

OUT ON THE EDGE (10 p.m., Comedy Central) Alan Cumming hosts the hour-long standup comedy variety special fea-



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E! studies Wahlberg closely on "THS."

turing music by Betty and the Hazzards, and the comedy of Jim David, Rene Hicks and Elvira Kurt, as well as special guest Buddy Cole (Scott Thompson) from "The Kids in the Hall."

CULT CHOICE

WHEN WE WERE KINGS (8 p.m., BET) This 1996 documentary covers the drama in and out of the ring during the 1974 boxing match between Muhammad Ali and George Foreman in Zaire. KEVIN McDONOUGH (UNITED FEATURE SYNDICATE)

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	Family	Full House	Full House	7th Heaven CC	★ ★ ½ "Little Giants" (1994) Rick Moranis, Ed O'Neill.	Whose Line?	Whose Line?	Whose Line?	Whose Line?	Whose Line?	Whose Line?	The 700 Club CC	The 700 Club CC
	History	The Gunboats of Vietnam	Modern Marvels CC	Mail Call CC	Mail Call CC	Come Home Alive CC	Come Home Alive CC	Come Home Alive CC	Come Home Alive CC	Come Home Alive CC	Come Home Alive CC	This Week in History CC	This Week in History CC
	Lifetime	Unsolved Mysteries CC	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	The Nanny	The Nanny	★ ★ ★ "Thelma & Louise" (1991, Drama) Susan Sarandon. Premiere. CC	Thelma & Louise (1991, Drama) Susan Sarandon. Premiere. CC	Thelma & Louise (1991, Drama) Susan Sarandon. Premiere. CC	Thelma & Louise (1991, Drama) Susan Sarandon. Premiere. CC	Thelma & Louise (1991, Drama) Susan Sarandon. Premiere. CC	Golden Girls	Golden Girls
	MTV	Tailenders (N)	Movie House	Direct Effect CC	Choose	Music Videos CC	Real World	Real World-Road Rules	Newlywed	Newlywed	Newlywed	Newlywed	Newlywed
	NICK	U-Pick CC	Hey Arnold!	Rugrats CC	SpongeBob	Oddparents	Sabrina	Full House	Full House	Cosby Show	Cosby Show	Roseanne CC	Roseanne CC
	SCIFI	Stargate SG-1 "Holiday" CC	Stargate SG-1 CC	Stargate SG-1 "Nemesis"	Stargate SG-1 CC	Stargate SG-1 CC	Stargate SG-1 CC	Stargate SG-1 CC	Stargate SG-1 CC	Stargate SG-1 CC	Stargate SG-1 CC	Stargate SG-1 CC	Stargate SG-1 CC
	SPIKE	Cheers CC	Cheers CC	Star Trek: Next Gener.	Star Trek: Next Gener.	WWE Raw Scheduled: Chris Benoit crashes RAW. (N) CC	WWE Raw Scheduled: Chris Benoit crashes RAW. (N) CC	WWE Raw Scheduled: Chris Benoit crashes RAW. (N) CC	10 Things	10 Things	10 Things	10 Things	10 Things
	TBS	Home Imp.	Seinfeld CC	Seinfeld CC	Friends CC	★ "See Spot Run" (2001) (PA) David Arquette. CC	(C10) ★ ½ "The Goonies" (1985) Sean Astin. CC	(C10) ★ ½ "The Goonies" (1985) Sean Astin. CC	(C10) ★ ½ "The Goonies" (1985) Sean Astin. CC	(C10) ★ ½ "The Goonies" (1985) Sean Astin. CC	(C10) ★ ½ "The Goonies" (1985) Sean Astin. CC	(C10) ★ ½ "The Goonies" (1985) Sean Astin. CC	(C10) ★ ½ "The Goonies" (1985) Sean Astin. CC
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	USA	Walker, Texas Ranger CC	JAG "War Stories" CC	Law & Order	★ "Storm Catcher" (1999) Dolph Lundgren. Premiere.	Law & Order	Law & Order	Law & Order	Law & Order	Law & Order	Law & Order	Law & Order	Law & Order
	VHI	Best Week	Stand-up Comics Ruled	★ ★ ★ "Beverly Hills Cop" (1984, Drama) Eddie Murphy. Premiere. CC	Stand-up Comics Ruled	Stand-up Comics Ruled	Stand-up Comics Ruled	Stand-up Comics Ruled	Stand-up Comics Ruled	Stand-up Comics Ruled	Stand-up Comics Ruled	Stand-up Comics Ruled	Stand-up Comics Ruled
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	ESPN2	NFL Great	NFL Films	Monday Night Countdown	College Basketball St. Joseph's at Villanova. (Live) CC	PBA Bowling Reno Open. (Taped) CC	Interruption	Interruption	Interruption	Interruption	Interruption	Interruption	Interruption
	CSN	SportsShow	SportsNite	Women's College Basketball Duke at Clemson. (Live)	2003 ACC Tournament	SportsNite	ACC Live (N)	ACC Live (N)	Best Damn Sports Show	Best Damn Sports Show	Best Damn Sports Show	Best Damn Sports Show	Best Damn Sports Show
News	CNN	Lou Dobbs Tonight CC	Anderson Cooper 360 CC	Paula Zahn Now CC	Larry King Live CC	NewsNight-Aaron Brown	Lou Dobbs Tonight CC	Lou Dobbs Tonight CC	Lou Dobbs Tonight CC	Lou Dobbs Tonight CC	Lou Dobbs Tonight CC	Lou Dobbs Tonight CC	Lou Dobbs Tonight CC
	FNC	Special Report (Live) CC	Fox Report-Shepard Smith	The O'Reilly Factor CC	Hannity & Colmes CC	On the Record	The O'Reilly Factor CC	The O'Reilly Factor CC	The O'Reilly Factor CC	The O'Reilly Factor CC	The O'Reilly Factor CC	The O'Reilly Factor CC	The O'Reilly Factor CC
	MSNBC	The Abrams Report (Live)	Hardball (Live) CC	Countdown-Olbermann	Deborah Norville Tonight	Scarborough Country (Live)	Scarborough Country (Live)	Scarborough Country (Live)	Hardball CC	Hardball CC	Hardball CC	Hardball CC	Hardball CC
Movies	AMC	(5:45) ★ ★ "Amityville II: The Possession" (1982) 'R'	★ ★ ½ "Cop Land" (1997, Drama) Sylvester Stallone. 'R'	★ ★ ½ "Jaws 2" (1978, Horror) Roy Scheider. 'PG'	★ ★ ½ "The Nun's Story" (1959) 'NR'	★ ★ ½ "The Nun's Story" (1959) 'NR'	★ ★ ½ "The Nun's Story" (1959) 'NR'	★ ★ ½ "The Nun's Story" (1959) 'NR'	★ ★ ½ "The Nun's Story" (1959) 'NR'	★ ★ ½ "The Nun's Story" (1959) 'NR'	★ ★ ½ "The Nun's Story" (1959) 'NR'	★ ★ ½ "The Nun's Story" (1959) 'NR'	★ ★ ½ "The Nun's Story" (1959) 'NR'
	TCM	★ ★ ½ "Cat on a Hot Tin Roof" (1958) Elizabeth Taylor.	★ ★ ★ "Duel in the Sun" (1946, Western) Jennifer Jones. 'NR' CC	★ ★ ★ "Unfaithful" (2002) Richard Gere. 'R' CC	On Set	★ ★ "Enough" (2002) Jennifer Lopez. 'R' CC	★ ★ "Enough" (2002) Jennifer Lopez. 'R' CC	★ ★ "Enough" (2002) Jennifer Lopez. 'R' CC	(1:15) ★ "Ghost Ship" 'R'	(1:15) ★ "Ghost Ship" 'R'	(1:15) ★ "Ghost Ship" 'R'	(1:15) ★ "Ghost Ship" 'R'	(1:15) ★ "Ghost Ship" 'R'
	HBO	(1:15) ★ ★ "Volcano" (1997) Tommy Lee Jones. 'R' CC	Real Sports CC	★ ★ ★ "Solaris" (2002) George Clooney. CC	On Set	★ ★ "Enough" (2002) Jennifer Lopez. 'R' CC	★ ★ "Enough" (2002) Jennifer Lopez. 'R' CC	★ ★ "Enough" (2002) Jennifer Lopez. 'R' CC	(1:15) ★ "Ghost Ship" 'R'	(1:15) ★ "Ghost Ship" 'R'	(1:15) ★ "Ghost Ship" 'R'		

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Life at Work

AMY JOYCE's column appears Sundays in The Washington Post. She chats every Tuesday at 11 a.m. on washingtonpost.com/liveonline.

Every time I have to deal with something controversial, my heart pounds, my hands shake and I know I will cry if I keep talking. I have a review in which I'm going to have to say some very unpleasant things to my supervisor and I know that she's going to go on the attack. I need to be able to control my reaction so I can have a useful conversation but I don't know how to do it. I've heard from performers that bananas are natural beta-blockers. Any other ideas?

Take a minute. Breathe. Eat a banana. Most important, prepare. Sit down tonight after work and write out everything you want

to say. Go point by point. Then if you have a spouse or roommate or good buddy to talk to, talk it out. The more you think about what you want to say and how you want to say it, the better off you'll be. I know that feeling where as soon as you talk the tears of frustration hit. But if you know what's coming, and you know what you want to say in response, it'll be a little easier.

A potential employer told me they would be checking references. My teammates at my old job (one of whom is a reference) told me they are very restricted in what they can say and basically only provided a job description. They told the employer to call the bank's HR support line to see if I was eligible for rehire. I think that has a negative connotation — what do you think?

That reference situation is nothing new, and likely nothing your potential new employer will be surprised about. A lot of people are very restricted in reference-giving.

Steal This Job

Thom Shaw, 39

JOB: Lieutenant and sketch artist, Loudoun County, Va., Sheriff's Office.

EDUCATION: Bachelor's in psychology, James Madison University.

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HOW DID YOU GET YOUR JOB?

Started as a dispatcher in 1986; was interested in drawing but knew sketches were outsourced. Was finally allowed ("I nagged a little bit") to take a class and start doing the sketches in 1995.

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People

HOSTS

What Is ... Falling Asleep At the Wheel of Your Truck?

"Jeopardy!" host **ALEX TREBEK** escaped injury when he apparently fell asleep at the wheel of his pickup truck, sideswiped a string of mailboxes and sailed over an embankment into a ditch, authorities said. Trebek, 63, was driving alone on a rural road in Templeton, Calif., Friday and his truck was airborne for about 40 feet, a Highway Patrol Officer said. Trebek has been host of "Jeopardy!" since 1984. He also hosts the annual National Geographic Bee. (AP)

LITIGATION

Worse Than Screening Calls

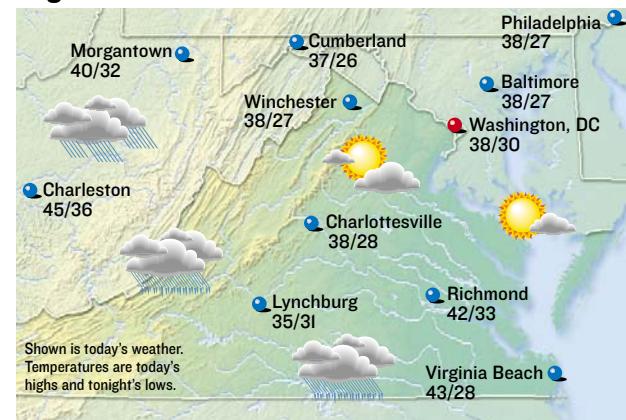
A judge has dismissed a lawsuit accusing **SNOOP DOGG** of using a message left on his answering machine in a song without permission. The suit was filed last March in Los Angeles Superior Court on behalf

of a man who kept his name secret. The man claimed his one-minute message appeared on the 2002 album "Paid the Cost to be Tha Boss." The message, left under the name Jim Bob, expressed the caller's support for Snoop Dogg in his rivalry with Marion "Suge" Knight. (AP)

5 Day Forecast for the Washington Area



Regional Weather



Almanac

Washington, D.C., through 4 p.m. Sun.

Temperature

High	34°
Low	15°
Normal high	43°
Normal low	27°
Average humidity	48%

Precipitation

24 hours ending 4 p.m.	0.00"
Month to date	0.00"
Normal month to date	0.10"
Year to date	1.35"
Last year to date	2.48"
Normal year to date	3.31"

For up-to-the-minute weather, see: washingtonpost.com/weather

Regional Forecast

D.C. Metro: Today, partly sunny. High 38. Wind east 5-10 mph. Tonight, mostly cloudy, rain, freezing rain and snow moving in. Low 30.

Sun and Moon

Sunrise today	7:14 a.m.
Sunset tonight	5:30 p.m.
Moonrise today	1:53 p.m.
Moonset today	4:47 a.m.



MISHAPS

Did Wussell Get a Boo-Boo?

RUSSELL CROWE discovered that life in the boxing ring can be a hard business. The actor dislocated his shoulder in Sydney, Australia, while training for a scene in his upcoming film "Cinderella Man," Universal Pictures said Friday. He will have arthroscopic surgery followed by physical therapy, the studio added. That is expected to delay the start of filming from early March to April. (AP)



"The Real World" will no longer seem as real, "The Simple Life" so simple.

HEARSAY | WHITE LIE

"I told him, 'The batteries have run out."

—PETER JACKSON, DIRECTOR OF THE "LORD OF THE RINGS" TRILOGY TO IAN MCKELLAN, WHO ASKED WHY GANDALF FOUGHT WITH ORCS, RATHER THAN BLASTING THEM AWAY WITH HIS STAFF.

GOODBYES

It Didn't Get Realer Than Her

Producer **MARY-ELLIS BUNIM**, who brought TV into the age of reality with MTV's "The Real World" in 1992 and whose latest hit series was "The Simple Life," has died at age 57. Bunim died Thursday after a long battle with breast cancer, MTV announced Friday. She and business partner Jonathan Murray were among the genre's most prolific producers. Before she turned to real-life soap opera, Bunim had vast experience in the traditional kind. She was responsible for more than 2,500 hours of daytime TV as executive producer of "Search for Tomorrow," "As the World Turns," "Santa Barbara" and "Loving." (AP)

CULTURAL DIFFERENCES

He's Very Popular in Germany

American entertainer **DAVID HASSELHOFF** performed during a TV show in Magdeburg, Germany, on Saturday. (Next stop: Leipzig.) Hasselhoff was promoting his new album, "David Hasselhoff Sings America," hailed as "one of the most expected albums this year" by Irene's David Hasselhoff Fanclub. We're going to take Irene's word for it. (EXPRESS)



Loeb flaunts her glasses-wearing skills.

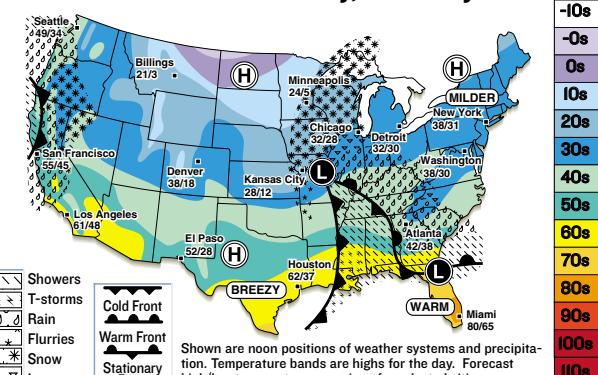
BANDWAGONS

Indie Rockers Now Must Also Create Kids' Books

It's not quite as bad as the whole Madonna situation — at least there's a CD packaged with the book. Singer-songwriter **LISA LOEB** has produced a children's book/CD set called "Catch the Moon" with

former performing partner Liz Mitchell. Wait, get this — it's written by a non-celebrity, their friend Erin Courtney, and illustrated by Mitchell's mom. And yet, the seed has been planted. Will every indie musician now find their inner children's book, just like actors, pop stars and James Carville? (EXPRESS)

National Weather for Monday, February 2



Shown are noon positions of weather systems and precipitation. Temperature bands are highs for the day. Forecast high/low temperatures are given for selected cities.

National Cities

City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Tues. Hi/Lo/W	City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Tues. Hi/Lo/W
Atlanta	42/38/r	48/39/pc	Amsterdam	50/48/r	55/48/r
Boston	38/28/s	38/34/pc	Athens	55/43/s	52/36/sh
Chicago	32/28/sn	30/10/c	Berlin	45/38/r	49/42/c
Dallas	52/36/s	50/33/s	Buenos Aires	80/56/pc	77/57/pc
Denver	38/18/pc	40/22/c	Calgary	14/16/s	22/5/pc
Honolulu	83/71/s	83/69/pc	Dublin	55/46/r	58/46/r
Los Angeles	6/48/c	59/45/c	Geneva	48/38/pc	52/42/s
Miami	80/65/pc	81/66/pc	Moscow	24/9/c	22/9/c
New York City	38/31/s	40/37/i	Rome	58/47/s	61/49/s
Orlando	78/56/pc	78/54/pc	Sydney	81/55/c	75/57/pc
Seattle	49/34/c	45/34/c	Tokyo	56/43/r	47/35/pc

s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, c-cloudy, sh-showers, t-thunderstorms, r-rain, sf-snow flurries, sn-snow, i-ice.

Letters

TO THE EDITOR

ACCORDING TO the "Who Knew?" tidbit in last Wednesday's Sports section (Jan. 28), there appears to be a greater motivation for a team to lose the Super Bowl than to win it. According to the item, members of the winning team will "earn a share of \$68,000," while the losing team "will receive \$36,500 per man." Perhaps the NFL is trying to compensate for the losing team's disappointment after the big game?

—PATRICK KEATON
Greenbelt, Md.

EDITOR'S NOTE: *As with most things in life, winning the Super Bowl is indeed better than losing. Both numbers were per person.*

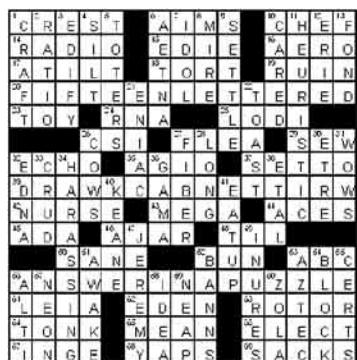
IN FRIDAY'S ARTICLE "Metro Defends Weather Delays" (Jan. 30), Metro General Manager Richard White indicated, "Half of our system is outdoors. We could box this baby up and hermetically seal it, then we would be fine." On the morning of Jan. 30, Metro was single-tracking on the Blue and Orange lines between McPherson Square and Federal Triangle. Those tracks are inside. Mr. White should have just admitted "no system is perfect," because his words backfired.

—MARK JAMES
Alexandria, Va.

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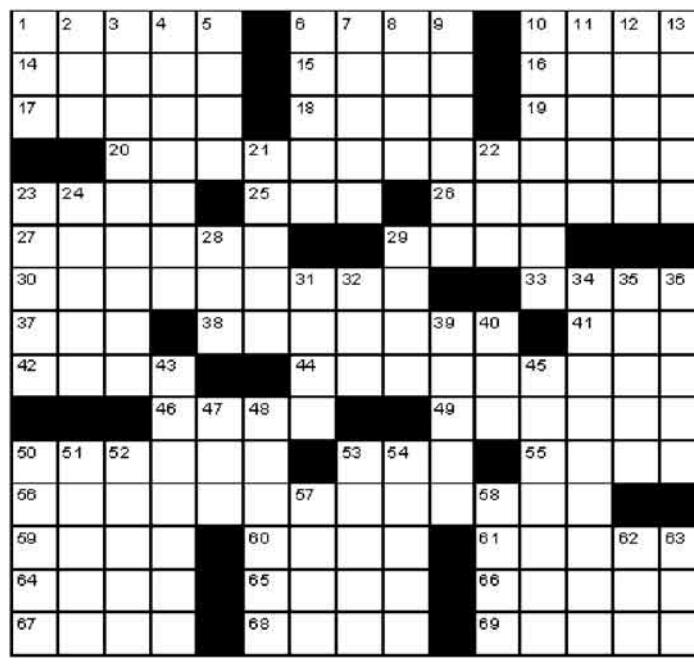
Yesterday's Solution



Crossword Puzzle: Doctor, Doctor! | Edited by Timothy E. Parker

ACROSS

1 Venomous snake
6 Pain in the neck
10 Stick with a stick
14 Natural emollients
15 Rod in a rod
16 Letterman rival
17 3 grains troy weight
18 Free-for-all
19 On a grand scale
20 Fixes, in a way
23 Handwriting on the wall
25 Morsel for a mare
26 NFL team or musical group
27 Informal gathering
29 "Ver-r-ry interesting" Johnson
30 Fixes, in a way (With 44-Across)
33 "Reach!"
37 Throw in
38 Guess
41 Beauty preceder
42 Bread and drink
44 See 30-Across
46 Feeling of gloom
49 Sounded hurt
50 Title for Flaubert's Bovary
53 ___ alai
55 March 15th, e.g.
56 Fixes, in a way
59 Salacious



60 Expensive car trips?
61 Drug bust figures
64 "But only God can make a ___" (Kilmer)
65 Parmenides' home
66 Interprets lip movements
67 Charon's river
68 Depend (on)

69 Until now

DOWN

1 PC alternative
2 In the manner of
3 Communication type
4 Coffeehouse poet, once
5 Hammett terrier
6 Anorak

22 Erode
23 Tinseltown statuette
24 Subject to depression
28 1-Across relative
29 Seed covering
31 Entree option
32 Marinaro and Bradley
34 Major League work stoppage
35 Be of one mind
36 Prolific plants
39 Marvel production
40 Tango requirement
43 Stretcher at the gym?
45 Titania's subjects
47 Morning hrs.
48 Word with cover or love
50 Kind of grilled sandwiches
51 Thwart
52 Winner in a famous headline
53 The Pink Panther, in "The Pink Panther"
54 Test ore
57 Boring result
58 Creole vegetable
62 Praiseful poem
63 Mach 2 flier, for short

The Duplex | Glenn McCoy



Horoscope | Stella Wilder

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) — Stay in touch with that voice in the back of your head that tells you what to do when your conscious thoughts are in a jumble.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) — You can rise above your own fears and apprehensions, and in the process negate those of the people around you and foster trust, confidence.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — Don't try to proceed prematurely — or too quickly, either. There is a natural order; adopt an organic pace.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — You will want to avoid high costs, and concentrate on saving money and using all available resources economically.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — You'll find yourself more willing to do what you can for others — despite your continued interest in a current key endeavor of your own.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — Take the time to finish a project that has been lying dormant. You will feel a great sense of accomplishment and relief when it's finally done.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — This is a good day to entertain notions you've usually dismissed without a thought. Try experimenting with this new way of thinking.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — You can be quite productive, even while tending to the needs of those who are currently dependent upon you. Do much with little.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) — You know how to get what you want, and you know that you can do it if you apply yourself. Take that first big step.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) — Your independent manner will win you both admiration and criticism. It is up to you which carries the most weight.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) — Keep your wits about you, and be sure you take in all information before setting yourself free and trusting in fate.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Someone may be trying to unload a great deal of unwanted baggage on you. You'll know where to draw the line — do so.



Metro Matters

JIM GALLAGHER is Metro's deputy general manager for operations.

IF YOU WERE ON THE ORANGE, Blue or Yellow lines last Tuesday morning, you know Mother Nature got the best of us that day. But the full story of what happened actually began 36 hours earlier, when snow started to fall and accumulate.

When we get the fluffy, powdery kind of snow we saw last week, it wreaks havoc on our railcars. As trains pass over the snow on our tracks, the sensitive electrical components underneath our railcars are exposed to the moisture from the snow, and they essentially short circuit.

As a result, we took hundreds of railcars out of service for repairs Monday, which left us with 112 fewer cars — and therefore, shorter trains — Tuesday morning.

Then we got hit with freezing rain. Despite our best efforts to keep the third rail (which provides the power to move the trains) ice-free, it re-froze minutes after we treated it. Most of the re-freezing occurred on elevated sections of track, on the Blue and Orange lines coming out of Stadium-Armory and the Yellow line over the Potomac River, causing the lengthy delays many of you encountered.

We were frequently asked later, "Why didn't your de-icing equipment work?" The truth is, it did work on most of our 53 miles of above-ground track. But with temperatures in the upper teens to low 20s, the third rail on our elevated sections — which are just like bridges in the road system — quickly re-froze.

Looking back, we take some pride in the fact that out of the six rush hours that occurred during the three-day storm, only one was significantly disrupted. By last Wednesday morning, we were back to 90 percent of our normal service, and by Thursday morning, back to 96 percent.

Still, like you, we were not satisfied with our performance last Tuesday. We are committed to doing everything we can in the next winter storm to provide the best possible service to our customers.

RIGHT NOW, THERE ARE TWO ROVERS ON THE SURFACE OF MARS. AND ANOTHER ON 17TH STREET.



R2D2, eat your heart out. The Mars rovers are here. And we've got one of a handful of full-scale models, approved by NASA, right here at the National Geographic Museum. The Mars rovers can do amazing things. Look around Mars from 12 different angles. Record what they hear in stereo. Classify rocks from a distance. Drive to one that looks interesting, look at it under a handy microscope, then grind it up to take a sample. A sample that can tell us, among other things, of the existence of water. Which leads to the biggest question of all - was there,



When the two Mars rovers, Spirit and Opportunity, bounced onto the surface they were protected by a cocoon of airbags.

or is there, life on Mars? Our NASA rover is just one of many fantastic Mars artifacts at our exhibit. You can watch up-to-the-minute images from the rovers through our feed from NASA's Jet Propulsion Lab. Walk our floor graphic of Valles Marineris, the 2,500-mile long canyon that dwarfs the Grand Canyon. Look at a gallery of some of the best images you'll ever see of Mars. And learn how Martians invaded popular culture, becoming a sci-fi favorite. With Spirit and Opportunity trekking across the surface of Mars, there's never been a more fascinating time to study our closest neighbor. And you can do it without worrying about how to breathe all that carbon dioxide.



Valles Marineris, the deepest canyon in the solar system, is on Mars. It's 6-7 times deeper than the Grand Canyon.

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